



MONROE THIS WEEK

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GREETINGS FROM MAYOR THOMAS

Hello! Thank you for reading Monroe This Week. Learn what is happening and has happened during the week. If you have any suggestions, questions, or comments for "Monroe This Week" or the articles included, please do not hesitate to contact me.

I can be reached at gthomas@monroewa.gov

Thank you!

Yours in Service,

Mayor Geoffrey Thomas



MAYOR HAPPENINGS

Homelessness Policy Advisory Committee (HPAC)

At the Thursday, October 3, 2019, HPAC meeting, the Committee continued their discussion regarding recommendations and categorization. The Committee has defined five categories for which recommendations will be listed; focusing on the "Other" and "Housing" sections this past week. These recommendations will be refined over the next month and presented at an Open House on Thursday, November 14, 2019, 6:30 p.m. at Monroe City Hall. The final recommendations are scheduled to be presented to the City Council in the beginning of 2020. Thank you to the Committee for all your hard work in developing these recommendations.

2020 Mayor's Recommended Budget Available Now

It is with great pleasure that I can announce that the 2020 Mayor's Recommended City of Monroe Budget is available for review. This document is the culmination of a significantly collaborative and inclusive process that included the Monroe City Council, Planning Commission, Park Board, Economic Development Advisory Board (EDAB), and City Staff at all levels of the organization. If you are interested in reviewing this document, you can download it from our website [here](#). And if you would like to provide comments on the Recommended Budget, public hearings are scheduled for Tuesday, October 8th and Tuesday, October 15th at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers located at Monroe City Hall, 806 W. Main Street in Monroe

Business Survey

The 2019 Business Survey is officially open. This is an annual undertaking that informs the City of issues that affect the business community. Your voice matters! The survey takes about twenty-five to thirty minutes complete and your contact information will not be shared. The results of the survey will be published on the City's website once the survey deadline has past.

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EVENT HAPPENINGS

10/08	City Council Legislative Affairs Committee Meeting, City Hall, Council Conference Room, 6PM CANCELLED City Council Regular Business Meeting, City Hall, Council Chambers, 7PM
10/03	EDAB, Council Chambers, 8-9:30AM

THE ADVENTURE
STARTS HERE!

City of Monroe Year-to-Date Comparisons

Sales Tax Revenues

'18 to 08/30/18: \$3,851,787

'19 to 08/30/19: \$4,046,483

UP \$194,696 or 5.05%

Real Estate Excise Tax

'18 to 08/30/18: \$1,038,203

'19 to 08/30/19: \$961,699

DOWN \$76,505 or -7.36%

Lodging Tax Revenues

'18 to 08/30/18: \$60,088

'19 to 08/30/19: \$63,110

UP \$3,022 or 5.02%

Business License Fees

'18 to 08/30/18: \$37,636

'19 to 08/30/19: \$49,667

UP \$12,032 or 31.96%

Building Permit Revenues

'18 to 08/30/18: \$530,053

'19 to 08/30/19: \$445,126

DOWN \$84,927 or -16.02%

Planning Fee Revenues

'18 to 08/30/18: \$33,460

'19 to 08/30/19: \$42,026

UP \$8,566 or 25.60%

SFR Permits YTD

2018 to 8/2018: 109

2019 to 8/2019: 92

Multi-Family Permits (# units)

2018 to 8/2018: 0

2019 to 8/2019: 186

Inspections YTD

August 2018 – 1,528

August 2019 – 2,080

(Business Survey, cont.) The deadline for survey responses is October 31, 2019. Here is a [link](#) to the survey. Thank you in advance for your participation!

City of Monroe Board, Commissions, and Committees

Interested in serving on a City Board, Commission, or Committee? The City is looking to fill several positions on its boards, commissions, and committees. This is a great opportunity to become involved and learn about City government. For more information about the availabilities and the application please click [here](#). Candidates must reside in the city limits and are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

CITY HAPPENINGS



Eagle Scout Project

Thank you to Eagle Scout Alan Simchick for constructing and installing new obstacle courses at Wiggly Field Off-Leash Park. These 3 new obstacles as well as the new drinking fountain are great additions to the park.

Park Maintenance

Summer might be over but our Parks crew is still hard at work performing maintenance to our parks, including cleaning and repairing our facilities, fixing picnic tables, repainting fire hydrants, and more. We thank them for their continuous hard work!



Fire Prevention week is fast approaching – Not every her wears a cape. Plan and Practice your Escape!

Snohomish County Fire District No. 7 is hosting the annual Fire Prevention Week Open Houses to promote fire and life safety! The Open House is at Station No. 31 (163 Village Court, Monroe) on Saturday, October 12th from 12:00 to 4:00 p.m.

The event will have rescue demonstrations, live fire extinguisher training, emergency preparedness information, firefighter challenge courses for the kids, and more! Bring the whole family for a fun interactive event! For more information visit www.Snofire7.org , or contact Heather Chadwick at hchadwick@snofire7.org or (360) 282-3962.

2020 City of Monroe Boards & Commissions Openings

- Ethics Boardmember (5)
- Park Boardmember (1)
- Planning Commissioners (2)
- Salary Commissioner (3)
- Economic Development Advisory Board (1)

www.monroewa.gov/vacancies

Job Openings

- Building Inspector
- Part-Time Clerical Specialist
- Lateral Police Officer

www.monroewa.gov/jobs

COUNCIL HAPPENINGS

The Tuesday, October 8, 2019, City Council Regular Study Session includes: a Public Hearing on the 2020 Budget, a Presentation from the Monroe Senior Center, approval of Right-of-Way Acquisition for the Chain Lake Phase 2A Project, and Department Reports. For more information click [here](#).

Have a question for your Councilmembers? Contact them at councilmembers@monroewa.gov!



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